

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of the claims of the application.

Listing of the Claims:

Claims 1 -39. (cancelled)

40. (Currently Amended) A method of treating ~~and/or preventing~~ a pelvic tissue infection which method comprises administering vaginally ~~or rectally~~ a therapeutically effective amount of an antibiotic and of a prostaglandin to a patient in need of such treatment wherein the antibiotic includes azithromycin.

41. (Previously Presented) A method as defined in Claim 40 wherein the infection is a sexually transmitted disease.

42. (Currently Amended) A method as defined in claim 40 wherein the antibiotic includes ~~azithromycin, optionally with~~ metronidazole.

43. (Currently Amended) A method as defined in Claim 40, wherein the infected tissue is a cervix, endometrium, fallopian tube ~~and/or~~ parametrium.

44. (Currently Amended) A method of reducing surgical trauma resulting from a gynaecological operation which method comprises administering vaginally ~~or rectally~~ a composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of an antibiotic and of a prostaglandin to a patient in need of such treatment wherein the antibiotic includes azithromycin.

45. (Previously Presented) A method as defined in Claim 44 which comprises administering the composition to a patient about to undergo a gynaecological operation.

46. (Currently Amended) A method as defined in Claim 45 wherein the operation includes a surgical or medical abortion, uterine evacuation of a failed pregnancy ~~and/or~~ a transcervical operation undertaken outside pregnancy.

47. (Previously Presented) A method as defined in Claim 44 wherein the composition comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.
48. (Previously Presented) A method as defined in Claim 44 wherein the prostaglandin is misoprostol, optionally with cervagem.
49. (Currently Amended) A method as defined in claim 44 wherein the antibiotic includes ~~azithromycin, optionally with~~ metronidazole.
50. (Previously presented) A method as defined in claim 44 wherein the patient is a human or animal patient, especially a human or mammal patient.
51. (New) A method as defined in claim 40 wherein the prostaglandin is misoprostol, optionally with cervagem.
52. (New) A method according to claim 40 wherein the composition is provided in the form of a two part kit wherein the first part (a) comprises azithromycin and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent and wherein the second part (b) comprises a prostaglandin.
53. (New) A method according to claim 52 wherein parts (a) and (b) are administered simultaneously, sequentially or separately.
53. (New) A method according to claim 40 wherein the treatment is for reducing surgical trauma resulting from a gynaecological operation.
54. (New) A method according to claim 52 wherein part (b) of the kit comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.